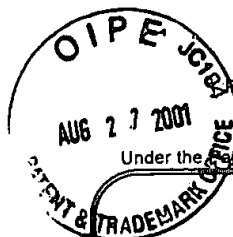


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**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Office Action dated July 5, 2001, please amend the claims as shown on the attached Version with Markings to Show Changes Made and Replacement Sheet.

Claims 1 and 17 have been amended.

Without prejudice, and reserving the right to file divisional applications with respect thereto, please cancel claims ~~25-30~~ <sup>25-31</sup>.

**REMARKS**

The Office Action dated July 5, 2001 has been received and carefully studied.

Applicants affirm their election to prosecute the invention of claims 1-24 and 31-32. By the foregoing amendment, claims 25-30 have been cancelled without prejudice.

The Examiner rejects claims 1-8 and 17-24 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as

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